REMARKS

The Specification has been amended to delete a co-pending application inadvertently included in the original application as filed.

In view of the amendments and remarks set forth herein, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted via facsimile to the USPTO on May 28, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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